Title: Need to remove ban on recruitment in Central Government departments.

SHRI P. RAJENDRAN (QUILON): Sir, may I call the attention of the Government on the following important matter:

Abolition of staff strength in the Central Government departments to the tune of two-thirds direct recruitment vacancies was introduced during 2001 by the NDA Government. Lakhs of Group C and Group D posts have been abolished. This has generated unemployment in the country among the educated unemployed youths. The UPA Government is also implementing the same policy which is detrimental to the interest of unemployed youths in the country. This is against the spirit of the Common Minimum Programme of the Government. Immediate steps may be taken to undo anti-people policies of the previous Government and restore recruitment and fill up all vacant posts in the Central Government departments which would help educated unemployed youths for employment opportunities which is denied for the last six years.